

## PATENT

**B. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend the paragraph titled RELATED APPLICATIONS, on page 1, lines 4 through 16 as follows:

This application is related to the following co-pending U.S. Patent ~~Application~~ Applications filed on the same day as the present application and having the same inventor and assignee: "System and Method for Placement of User-Negotiated Security Features on Ticket Items," (Docket No. AUS9-2001-0143-US1, Serial Number 09/817,867); "System and Method for Purchasing Ticket Items with User-Negotiated Security Features," (Docket No. AUS9-2001-0229-US1, Serial Number 09/817,868); "System and Method for Processing Ticket Items with Customer Security Features," (Docket No. AUS9-2001-0230-US1, Serial Number 09/817,866); and "System and Method for Maintaining User Security Features," (Docket No. AUS9-2001-0279-US1, Serial Number 09/817,891) each by Dutta and each assigned to the IBM Corporation.